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The Honorable Victor Marrero
United States District Judge
Southern District of New York
c/o Daniel Patrick Moynihan
United States Courthouse
500 Pearl Street, Room 660
New York, New York 10007

Re: *Municipal Derivatives Antitrust Litigation*, MDL No. 1950
Master Docket No. 08-02516 (VM)(JCF)

Dear Judge Marrero:

I represent First Southwest Company in the above-captioned consolidated actions. On August 5, 2008, this Court scheduled a status conference for September 12, 2008 at 1:30 p.m. I respectfully request permission to appear telephonically at this status conference. There will not be an attorney for First Southwest Company attending the hearing in person.

Respectfully submitted,



Brian E. Robison

cc: Counsel of Record

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